SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 465 By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor Michael Hill for his many athletic and academic achievements.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exceptional young athletes and leaders who have made a difference in the lives of all those around them; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hill is one such exceptional individual, having made a name for himself as one of the most successful football players in the country; and

WHEREAS, a wide receiver from South Fulton, Michael Hill is a senior at Lambuth University where he has posted incredible numbers throughout his collegiate career; and

WHEREAS, among other notable statistics, Michael Hill caught 36 passes and led the nation by averaging 23.6 yards per reception during his senior year; and

WHEREAS, Michael played behind NFL star Ron Dixon and the extremely gifted Andre Gilbert before becoming a two-year starter at wide receiver; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and awards, Michael Hill has received many commendations; in high school, he was team MVP his senior year, first team All-State at safety, SJR0465

and was a Wendy's High School Heisman Award state finalist; at Lambuth, he was honorable mention All-Mid-South Conference in the fall of 2002; and

WHEREAS, in addition to football, Michael Hill also played basketball at Lambuth and played baseball as a freshman; and

WHEREAS, gifted academically as well as athletically, Michael will graduate after four years with a major in math and a 3.4 overall grade point average; he has also been thrice designated an Academic All-American in tribute to his remarkable intelligence; and

WHEREAS, deeply spiritual and devout, Michael Hill is also an associate youth minister at South Fulton Baptist Church and leads Lambuth's Fellowship of Christian Athletes program; his goal is to one day become a full-time, youth minister; and

WHEREAS, his achievements are surely a source of great pride to his parents, Chris and Wendy Hill; and

WHEREAS, student athletes such as Michael Hill are important leaders and role models both in and out of the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Michael Hill's exceptional success in all endeavors certainly bodes well for his future; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pay tribute to him for his remarkable achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor Michael Hill for the academic and athletic excellence he has achieved during his collegiate career, salute his perseverance and commitment to upright living, and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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